COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH OVERSIGHT DIVISION

FISCAL NOTE

<u>L.R. No.:</u> 6886-01 <u>Bill No.:</u> HB 2812

Subject: State Treasurer; Property, Real and Personal

Type: Original
Date: April 8, 2016

Bill Summary: This proposal requires the State Treasurer to issue letter rulings regarding

the administration of the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act.

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
General Revenue	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON OTHER STATE FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	
Total Estimated Net Effect on Other State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.

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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FULL TIME EQUIVALENT (FTE)				
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019	
Total Estimated Net Effect on FTE	0	0	0	

Estimated Net Effect (expenditures or reduced revenues) expected to exceed \$100,000 in any of the three fiscal years after implementation of the act.

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Oversight was unable to receive some of the agency responses in a timely manner due to the short fiscal note request time. Oversight has presented this fiscal note on the best current information that we have or on prior year information regarding a similar bill. Upon the receipt of agency responses, Oversight will review to determine if an updated fiscal note should be prepared and seek the necessary approval of the chairperson of the Joint Committee on Legislative Research to publish a new fiscal note.

Oversight notes this proposal requires the State Treasurer to issue letter rulings regarding the administration of the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act, within 60 days of receipt of the request. Oversight assumes the State Treasurer's Office (STO) will incur some costs for researching, writing, sending and storing the letter rulings required by this proposal. Oversight will reflect an "Unknown" cost to General Revenue in FY 2017, FY 2018 and FY 2019.

	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government	FY 2017 (10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
ESTIMATED NET EFFECT TO GENERAL REVENUE	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
Cost - STO Research, write, send and store letter rulings	(Unknown)	(Unknown)	(Unknown)
GENERAL REVENUE	(10 Mo.)	FY 2018	FY 2019
FISCAL IMPACT - State Government	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

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FISCAL DESCRIPTION

This proposal specifies that the State Treasurer must issue a letter ruling, also known as a written interpretation of law, regarding the administration of the Uniform Disposition of Unclaimed Property Act subject to specified terms and conditions.

The Treasurer is required to respond to a request for a letter ruling within 60 days of receipt of such request. The applicant may provide a draft letter ruling for consideration. The applicant may withdraw the request for a letter ruling, in writing, prior to the issuance of the letter ruling. The Treasurer may refuse to issue a letter ruling for good cause but must list the specific reasons for refusing to issue the letter ruling.

Letter rulings bind the Treasurer and his or her successors with respect to the applicant for a period of three years, and such letter ruling applies only to the applicant. A letter ruling issued under these provisions is not a rule as defined in Section 536.010, RSMo, in that it is an interpretation issued with respect to a specific set of facts and intended to apply only to that specific set of facts, and therefore shall not be subject to the rulemaking requirements of Chapter 536.

Information in letter ruling requests are closed to the public. Copies of letter rulings must be available to the public provided that the applicant's identifying information and otherwise protected information is redacted from the letter ruling.

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

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